

VOTERS WHO HIDE AGE MUST REGISTER AGAIN

THE WEATHER.  
FOR INDIANA—Showers this afternoon; generally fair tonight and Sunday; no change in temperature.  
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STATE BOARD IS AGAINST 21-PLUS IDEA

If You Didn't Give Specific Age You Must Correct It Or Not Vote

GERMANY IS SAID TO BE FACING A BLACK WINTER

BUSINESS STAGNATION EXISTENT

Bankers and Factory Heads Expect Conditions To Grow Worse Instead of Better

BY FRANK MASON  
[STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE]  
BERLIN, Sept. 11.—With 4,500,000 of her workmen idle, Germany faces a black winter. Last winter the country was menaced by political riots. The nation is threatened during the coming winter with food and labor disturbances. The chief danger comes from unemployment and the empty dinner pail.  
Only the railroads and the coal miners are working to full capacity. Idleness in other branches of industry is increasing daily with the companies laying off large numbers of men.  
NATION TO OPERATE FACTORIES  
The minister of labor announced today that 10,000,000 marks will be appropriated to assist the unemployed. This is an addition to 13,000,000 marks already spent for that purpose.  
A law is being drafted to enable government commissions to operate idle factories where it is possible to do so.  
The government is planning to engage as many as possible unemployed in useful work during the cold weather months, but warning has been issued that no unnecessary places will be filled.  
SOME OPTIMISM IS SHOWN  
While the situation looks black and there is a great deal of pessimism, some of the members of the government are optimistic. They point out that:  
1.—The September quota of coal for France, pledged under the Spa agreement is now assured.  
2.—The Russian retreat from the Prussian border relieved the danger of an immediate Bolshevik uprising in Germany.  
3.—The quarrels of the radical leaders are splitting up the Independent Socialist party and allays the danger of a counter-revolution.  
BANKERS PESSIMISTIC  
4.—The miners are working overtime.  
For the most part bankers and manufacturers are pessimistic and they are little hope. In fact they expect conditions steadily to grow worse.  
A week's investigation in financial and industrial circles has brought results which may be summarized as follows:  
1.—Following the embargo by the allies against the shipment of coal to Germany from Silesia, it is alleged that a new Polish conspiracy has been discovered which is to culminate in the "violent occupation" of Upper Silesia about September 15.  
2.—Business is stagnated. Because of profiteering and high wages Germany is unable to compete in the world market. Domestic trade is passive and the situation has been further aggravated by a consumers' strike. Unfavorable exchange rates prevent exportation of German goods.  
3.—The government is failing to collect taxes. Instead of carrying out the present adequate taxation laws new compulsory loans are being proposed.  
4.—The government has increased the cost of currency, upsetting the standard of paper money values. The world is being flooded with paper marks. The last reichsbank report shows that the issue of marks last week was 1,700,000,000, increasing the government debt \$34,000,000.  
5.—The investigation in financial and industrial circles admit the possibility of the mark returning to its old gold basis.  
6.—Business will not be stabilized until there is a settlement of the amount of reparations that Germany is to pay.  
7.—The government's control of food will end Sept. 15. The absence of food cards will increase the opportunity of food dealers to profiteer and to increase the suffering of the poor Berlin, fearing for riots, has cancelled the order for closing down the public soup kitchens. The government announces that it is arranging for extensive food credits and is arranging to pay half of the amount through the export of potatoes.  
8.—The secessionist movement in Bavaria is getting stronger. If it is carried out, the government is established, economic chaos may result.  
9.—Germany's crops, on the average, are slightly less than those of 1919. There are no raw materials, no markets and little or no coal. Industries, such as those producing shoes, textiles and steel fabrications are working on part time.  
ASKS FOR A RECEIVER  
Max Weber of Indiana Harbor, purchased a fourth interest in a pool room and rooming house August 4. Today he filed suit in the Hammond Superior court asking for the appointment of a receiver and the dissolution of the partnership because he was not permitted to enjoy his interest in the business.  
After a short time he says Andro Sarkisian and the other two members of the firm decided to keep him out. They took entire possession and excluded him. He wants the property sold and the proceeds divided so he can get his money back. McMahon and Conroy are acting as his attorneys.

MISSING HEIRESS FINALLY LOCATED WORKING ON FARM

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Sept. 11.—Stoughton A. Fletcher, millionaire father of Miss Louise Fletcher, who was found working as a servant on a farm near Ipswich, Miss., after having been missing since Thursday, was overjoyed today when he received first information of her discovery through the International News Service.  
Later, when additional details were conveyed to Mr. Fletcher, he stated he had just received a telephone message from the girl's tutor, Mrs. Fritz, stating that Miss Fletcher had arrived in East Gloucester, to take charge of the runaway girl. Mrs. Fletcher sped from Indianapolis to the coast town when word first was received that Miss Fletcher had disappeared.  
Mrs. Fletcher will remain in the east until she has Louise in hand," said Mr. Fletcher. "It looks like a spanking case to me," he added.

Insurance Claims Paid In Lake Co.

Four Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Paid Beneficiaries in this Locality.

A summation of the life insurance distributions by insurance companies in the United States and Canada, in 1919 by the Insurance Press shows that total distributions were \$1,845,500,000. Indianapolis, Evansville, Ft. Wayne, South Bend, Lafayette and a few other Indiana cities, according to the tabulations of the Press, are transacting a rapidly increasing volume of business.  
According to the figures compiled by the Press, claims paid by insurance organizations in Indianapolis in 1919 were \$2,950,000; Evansville, \$783,000; Terre Haute, \$369,000; South Bend, \$321,000; Muncie, \$442,000; Richmond, \$401,000; and Fort Wayne, \$338,000.  
Hammond leads the Lake county cities with \$194,000, Gary next with \$105,000; Indiana Harbor \$71,000; East Chicago \$44,000; Whiting \$34,000; and Lowell \$17,000.  
MIDDLE WEST TO FOREFRONT  
The Press says that Indiana, Iowa and Illinois now have more insurance companies than has New York.  
The largest amount of insurance paid on a single life in 1919 was \$400,000 carried by Henry Frick, of New York and Pittsburgh.  
A constantly increasing demand for life insurance is indicated by the tabulations of reports of fifty-four life insurance companies, covering new policies issued in July, 1920, which showed an increase of \$35,592,472, or 20.8 per cent over the business of 1919.  
Policies are being written for larger average amounts than before the high cost of living arrived, the Press says.  
Some of the larger policies paid in Indiana in 1919 are shown to have been on that of Oscar J. Oakkuch, Evansville, \$146,064, and Hal H. Dronberger, Terre Haute, \$60,779. To the estate of Theodore Roosevelt, Oyster Bay, N. Y., \$85,000 was paid.  
LARGE CLAIMS IN INDIANA  
Policy claims of \$10,000 or more paid in 1919 in cities of Lake county by the tabulation of the Press are shown to be:  
Theodore P. Henderson, Hammond, \$10,000; Indiana Harbor, Dr. George Orf, \$10,000.  
In addition to the tabulation in Bloomington to a name not given a claim of \$10,000 was paid. Claims amounting to \$3,175 were paid to unnamed parties in Evansville. In Hammond, to the estate of an unnamed principal \$30,000 was paid; and in Huntington, \$12,000. Nine claims were paid in Indianapolis to unnamed parties, aggregating \$120,500, one claim in Kokomo of \$10,000, in Muncie two claims aggregating \$24,657, in Richmond, one claim of \$18,331, one claim in South Bend of \$20,151, and in Valparaiso one claim of \$15,000.

HARDING TALKS TO INDIANA REPUBLICANS

BY GEORGE H. HOLMES  
MARION, O., Sept. 11.—Senator Warren G. Harding launched attacks upon the Wilson administration along two fronts today.  
Addressing a delegation of nearly 500 Chicago and Indianapolis business men from his front porch this morning, he charged that a "bungling administration which could not even run its own business, has put its hands on the throat of American business," and all but strangled it with "weird economic theories and Socialistic tendencies." He pledged himself to elected, to let legitimate business alone and run the government on a businesslike basis.  
In a later speech to a delegation of Northern Indiana and Michigan Republicans, Senator Harding asserted that America has narrowly escaped losing her Monroe doctrine or going to war to preserve it.  
He said that America was being deceived about the Monroe doctrine article of the league of nations covenant. The covenant, he explained, is written in both English and French, in parallel columns. In Article XXIV dealing with the doctrine Senator Harding declared that the English text said one thing and the French another. The French version, he asserted, "does not guarantee the integrity of the Monroe doctrine, and in case of controversy would subordinate it almost to the point of complete abandonment."  
Senator Harding combined the two addresses into "a message to the business men of America" and compared the entrance into the league of nations with the signing of a business contract.  
"Sixty per cent of our manufacturers are little plants. Only 25 per cent of them do business as corporations. When we come to analyze what we mean by American business, we find that we mean the daily work of the nation."  
"We must summon the best abilities of America to put America back on the main road and remove the debris of the last eight years. The day of the one man war power form of government must yield to the sound practices of the republic."  
"American business has suffered staggering blows because of the much meddling by government and it is equally true that good government has almost died on our hands because it has not utilized the first sound principles of American business."  
"The government has engaged in prodigious waste. It has engaged in all kinds of costly bungling experiments of government management and ownership of enterprises. The American people pay."  
"Democracy has done nothing in 5 years to cure waste and inefficiency. It has rather added to them. We are the ineffective prodigals of the world."  
Turning to the Monroe doctrine and the league of nations, Senator Harding said that when the original draft of the covenant was made no mention of the doctrine was found therein. When President Wilson returned from Paris on his first trip, Senator Harding declared, he found America very strongly reversed the doctrine.  
"So when the president returned to Paris," said Senator Harding, he made or pretended to make a concession to the reverence of the American people in connection with the Article XXI.

Plans For Lake Co. Yet Vague

Senator Hiram Johnson Has No Definite News of Indiana Trip Just Now.

That the plans of Senator Hiram Johnson for a trip to Lake county this fall to speak for Candidate Harding are still in the hands of the republican state central committee is indicated by the following letter in answer to one of inquiry from C. G. Kingwill of Hammond, Lake county manager, when the senator was campaigning for the presidential nomination.  
My dear Mr. Kingwill:  
It was more than good of you to write me as you did under date of Aug. 21. My plans are still vague and imprecise, but I am hoping to come into Indiana in behalf of the republican ticket during the campaign. If I do come into your state, I shall be more than delighted to come into Lake county. I want to express to your people, through my appreciation of their very great kindness to me in the presidential primary. And when I have such a very delightful recollection of my brief stay with you, that I am most anxious to return.  
Most sincerely yours,  
HIRAM W. JOHNSON.

Did You Hear That

COL. L. T. Meyer will make a church address in Whiting tomorrow night.

CERTAIN men says his red nose made him very popular the last few days until he informed his inquiring friends that it was just a summer cold.

THERE ain't no such thing as a black and red German flag any more, points out a local man, Germany has a new flag and it is white, red and gold.

VERN REDMOND, one of the young old timers of The Times composing goes on the payroll of the Postlewaite Printing beginning Monday.

BILLY ROBERTSON, formerly of this city, who has been writing editorial copy for the Lafayette Journal, has resigned from that paper.

HOWARD HATHAWAY of Crown Point, who is attending Purdue university, came up from Lafayette just on purpose to attend the Shriner's picnic.

AN ERIE caboose caught fire yesterday evening and was hiked to the Highland street crossing so Bill Nill and his laddies could take a hand in the affair.

TWO tickets were sold at the Erie depot for the Harding special today. E. W. Wickey of East Chicago bought one of them and it is hoped that a Hammond man got the other.

WELL! WELL! The sidewalk across the Erie tracks at Highland street has been completed at last. And the high school pupils had to get along without it only a week.

"WHO'S dead at the postoffice," queried an anxious voice over the phone yesterday. He was worried over the fact that the federal building flag was at half mast and upside down.

HARRY JOHNSON is not saying much about his presidential preferences until his folks have had a chance to try out Mrs. Harding's famous waffle recipe made public recently.

MUSICAL critics say that between the women discussing canning operations and the children, it was hard to hear the softer strains at the Harrison park band concert last night.

THIEVES entered the Star Sheet Metal Works, 255 Sibley street, late last night and stole 75 bars of solder, a pair of stock shears and a set of tinners' tools. The articles were valued at \$30.

THE Apparel Mfg. Company has a sign up on Hohman street bearing the legend "Boy wanted 16 years" and Joe Bach shakes his head and thinks that's a long time to wait for a boy.

FRANK S. BETZ got a postcard from Loman, saying he had caught 57 pounds of fish in one day at Leech Lake, Minn., and expected a wire saying he had caught a whale.

AT A LATE hour this afternoon the Sprout-Griffiths ice cream gorge was still up in the air. Promoter Modjeski was being hard pressed by Shriners to transfer the match from Sumner's pharmacy to Harrison park.

PHOTOGRAPHERS from the "House Beautiful" were in Hammond yesterday taking pictures of the beautiful Paxton home on South Hohman street to be published in an early issue of the magazine.

P. O. EMPLOYEES will have another chance to wipe out the sting of defeat administered by The Times gang several weeks ago. The two teams clash on the Harrison park diamond Sunday at 11 o'clock.

A HAMMOND man, who got away unknown, made quite a stir at Crown Point the other day by attacking the cement policeman at Court and Joliet streets and his machine came out second best.

DR. T. E. BELL, upon arriving in town from his summer vacation at Lake Winnebago, immediately began to inquire whether in the meantime Gov. Goodrich, had called another special session.

THE Chicago Heights golf team arrived in the city at noon today, after being the guests of the Hammond golfers at a luncheon in playing the second of a series of inter-city matches with the Hammond team having won the first match played at Chicago Heights.

ELLIOTT CONROY took the place of the cat Friday night at the Deluxe theater when he got up from his seat in the front row and walked across the stage. For this act Elliott is \$10.00 ahead, and two young men have more respect for his nerve than ever before.

MARY MORAN, public health nurse for West Hammond, announces that the Traveling Health clinic of the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute will be at the Wentworth high school at 1 p. m. Sept. 15, Wilson Ruffin Abbott, Clinician. This clinic is for everyone and is supported by the sale of the Red Cross Christmas seals.

HEARING that Joe Tratebas is folding up the bathing beach and putting it away for the summer reminds Jim Canady of the girl whose mother kicked on the bathing suit daughter was going to wear. "Well, I'm going to wear that one-piece bathing suit or nothing," the girl stormed. In that case would her mother wear the bathing suit," mother calmly retorted.

IT TOOK nearly two years for Judge Lairy of the Indiana supreme court to get his bosom friend Judge Bach of Hammond into a golf match and he came up from Indianapolis yesterday here to play the match. The two were self critics when Judge Bach was on the appellate bench.

WHISKEY FOR BABE KIMMEL FOR WIFE

And Mike Took Either Helping When He Needed A Stimulant.

Mike Brasell has a baby which will be a husky woman some day. Since May she has consumed at least two jugs of moonshine besides getting an accidental nip from her mother's private bottle of Kimmel.  
Mike has a little store on Dearborn street. Hammond and yesterday the police dropped in for the third or fourth time this year because people had reported he was selling liquor. A jug with about two "shots" of moonshine in it was found under the counter. This piled on the baby of the store. This piled on the baby of the store. This piled on the baby of the store.  
In police court this morning Mike insisted that he always kept some liquor on hand for the baby and that his wife had her own stock. Officer Slinger reminded him of finding the jug empty only a short time ago when he visited the store. This piled on the baby of the store. This piled on the baby of the store. This piled on the baby of the store.  
Judge Klous was plainly skeptical. He decided Mike should pay \$50 and costs which will set him back \$80 in all.

HOW ALIENS PLANNED TO HIT GERMANY

BY NEWTON C. PARKE  
PARIS, Sept. 11.—The most amazing plan of strategy proposed by either side in the world war has just been revealed by Gen. Estienne, famous French commander, with permission of the French war office.  
The allies, Gen. Estienne now makes known, planned to shatter the supposedly impenetrable German line of defense—the wide and swiftly flowing river Rhine—by the use of turtle tanks—great amphibious monsters capable of operating equally well on land and in the water. The counted, upon taking the German positions by surprise, sending forth tank squadrons by night to navigate the river, and then open fire upon the enemy's rear while large forces of infantry were crossing in boats.  
The idea of these crawling monsters, says Gen. Estienne, dates back several years, but he and other French inventors only concentrated their mind on the subject when the caterpillar tank was proved successful in land warfare.  
They found that it was first necessary to construct a tank slightly heavier than those in land operations and absolutely water-tight. The details of his invention are being kept secret but it is said that repeated tests have proven its practicability.

WANTS DAMAGES FOR BARBER SHOP

Angelo Starokovich runs a barber shop on Cedar street, Indiana Harbor. He rents the ground floor room of a building owned by Mike Niksic. Last April Niksic rented the second floor to a photographer and cut a big hole in the roof to provide a skylight for the picture gallery.  
The job was not finished the first day and during the night it rained. The water ran through into Angelo's barber shop, spoiling the varnish on the chairs, diluting the hair tonic and otherwise cluttering up the place. Angelo is suing Niksic for \$1,000 damages in the Hammond Superior court. McMahon and Conroy are his attorneys.

BEAT AND ROB ERIE LABORER

George Lambasopoulos, a laborer, who had been staying in one of the camp cars in the Erie railroad yards, was held up late last night and robbed. Lambasopoulos is in St. Margaret's hospital suffering with various injuries from the beating which his assailants administered. He says three men attacked him in the darkness and took \$18 in cash which he had in his pockets. He was unable to furnish the police with a description of the three.

INDUSTRIES KICK AGAINST TWO RATES

Representatives of the various industries of East Chicago, who have been in Chicago during the past three days with representatives of the East Chicago Chamber of Commerce, protesting against the existence of two freight rates within the Chicago switching district returned last night well satisfied that the interstate commerce commission will grant their request for a single rate.  
The industries of the region became alarmed when after a 40 per cent increase had been granted to the railroads by the interstate commerce commission the Illinois state utilities commission authorized a rate increase of only 2 1/2 to 3 per cent for intrastate business in Illinois. This caused the industries of the Calumet region although in the same switching district to pay a higher freight rate than the Chicago competitors. Even of graver consequence was the possibility of the Calumet region of Indiana being excluded from the Chicago switching district.  
After a three days' hearing the railroad representatives conceded the point before the interstate commerce commission and admitted that all rates in the Chicago switching district should be uniform. The commission took no action but since the railroads agreed not to contest the request of the Calumet region for lower rates the railroads are certain that the ruling will be favorable to the Indiana industries.  
In order to adequately protect the interests of the local industries as far as freight rates and traffic rules are concerned plans are now being discussed for the formation of a Calumet Industrial Traffic league similar to the traffic league in Chicago.  
Those who attended the hearing in Chicago on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday were C. L. Long, traffic manager of the Indiana Steel, W. H. Hammond, assistant traffic manager of the Indiana Steel, W. A. Schroeder, general traffic manager of the Granger corporation, H. E. Jackson, East Chicago Chamber of Commerce, R. C. Slater, traffic manager of the Hubbard Steel foundries, Bert Anderson, traffic manager of the Green Engineering company, C. A. Westberg, East Chicago Land company.

E. Chicago's First Jury Of Women

Constable John Pors of Indiana Harbor is now laying claim to the honor of subpoenaing the first jury of women that has been called in Lake county. Yesterday he subpoenaed 10 women to appear next Monday at one o'clock to serve as jurors for the justice court of Judge G. E. Reiland.  
The case is one of prosecution in which Anna Walcha complains against Anna Mimis. Since both parties to the action are women it was decided to call a jury of women.  
W. A. Fuzzy, who is attorney for the plaintiff and A. C. Koles, attorney for the defendant, are reported to have sent their best suits to the railroad and made arrangements for spending a full morning next Monday in the barber's chair.

LAKE CO. TAX LEVY TWELVE CENTS

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)  
CROWN POINT, IND., Sept. 11.—The tax levy for Lake county during the year 1921 as fixed by the county council will be 12 cents upon each \$100 worth of taxable property, according to announcement made here today.  
The above tax is levied for the purpose of raising revenue for the county fund, gravel road fund and county debt fund, by January 1st there will be \$137,858.26 in the county fund. It is understood. This is the estimated savings during the year 1920 for the county.  
Thirty thousand dollars is to be taken out of this fund to pay for voting machines ordered for the coming election. This has been decided upon by the members of the county council at their recent meeting as a means of taking care of the debt as the bond issue for these machines have been cancelled on account of no sale.

NEW TREAT FOR THE SPEED BUGS

Lake county speed fans have another rich treat awaiting them tomorrow afternoon at the Roky Speedway.  
Two meets have been held this season at the old race course and the crowd has been given some high class exhibitions in automobile and motorcycle racing. Tomorrow's card is for motorcycle races only.  
Some of the world's fastest motorcycle riders have signed up for the events. Prominent in the list are Earl Farnham, Walter Kurn, Curly Fredricks, Otto Walker, Warren Crop, Paul Anderson and Joe Walters. The majority of them are well known to race enthusiasts of Chicago and the Calumet region and their presence guarantees races with plenty of pep. Several of them participated in the 200 mile race at Marion, Ind.

MANY LICENSES ARE TAKEN OUT

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)  
CROWN POINT, IND., Sept. 11.—Huntley and Shermen brand all previous records in taking out licenses during the month of August according to County Clerk Herbert Wheaton.  
During the past month, the clerk's office issued a total of 521 resident licenses, 350 resident fishing licenses and 5 non-resident licenses. The resident license cost \$1.00 and the non-resident license \$1.50.  
A total of \$568.50 was taken in from license issues during the month which has been forwarded to G. W. Mansfield, head of the state department of fisheries and games.

THREE DIE IN HOME FIRE

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
GRIF, N. Y., Sept. 11.—While Leo Kaminski made ineffectual efforts to rescue his family from their burning home early today Mrs. Kaminski, and two children were burned to death. Kaminski himself was so badly burned that he was taken to the Flushing hospital in a dying condition. Only one member of the family escaped unhurt—John aged 5.

MAY FORCE WOMAN TO GIVE TESTIMONY

Senate "Slush" Committee Will Send Marshal for Jessie Burchard.

CHICAGO, Sept. 11.—Unless Miss Jessie Burchard, who charged that democrats were soliciting \$40 contributions from gift clerks in the revenue department, is called to the senate "slush fund" committee, a U. S. marshal will be sent to enforce her attendance.  
Miss Burchard, according to word received here, has consulted an attorney at Minneapolis and has decided not to appear. She is the witness depended upon to reveal the foundation of charges that girls in the internal office at Aberdeen, S. D., were being assessed for the democratic campaign fund and the committee is determined to compel her attendance.  
Gov. Cox owes it to the American people to withdraw his extravagant statements or stand convicted of depending to the most despicable type of professional politics imaginable," Edge declared.  
Wm. Wrigley Jr., Charles Piez, former head of the shipping board, and Fred H. Barbour, \$500 a week campaign fund officer, are witnesses subpoenaed for the hearing today. After today's hearing, it was announced, the committee will adjourn until Sept. 22, when it will reconvene, probably in Pittsburgh.

EAST CHICAGO DIVORCE SUIT

On July 24, Albert Paul of East Chicago decided it was time to disappear. He was "in bad" with the U. S. government because of some illegal liquor sales and failure to make out income reports. When he left he took \$2,000 of his wife's money. Today the wife, Rose Paul, filed suit for divorce in the Hammond Superior court. She says they were married in October, 1917. She wants a decree and a clear title to two pieces of East Chicago property worth \$12,000 which she and her husband forced her to turn over to him.